

December 30, 2018

St. Mary's Parish

13 Marvln Street
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Eucharistic Liturgies

Weekend Mass Saturday Vigil 5:15 PM
 Sunday 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM
Weekday Mass Wednesday – Friday 7:00 AM
 Saturday 8:00 AM

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 4:00 – 4:45 PM

Sacrament of Baptism

We joyfully welcome all into our Church family through this sacrament. Parents are asked to please call the rectory 853-2935 to make arrangements. Baptismal preparation meetings are held with the Baptismal Team the first Sunday of the month at 9 AM at St. Mary's School.

Sacrament of Marriage

Couples planning to be married are asked to schedule an appointment with Fr. Croghan at least 6 months before the desired date. Wedding dates cannot be scheduled over the phone. One of the parties being married and/or their parents must be registered members of St. Mary's (Pre-marriage instruction is required).

Prayer Line

If you or any of your loved ones are in need of prayer, please call Margaret – (315)853-5280, or Pat – (315)853-5229.

Sunshine

For a card of get well, support or cheer, call Peggy Jury at (315)853-4438 (peggyjury@gmail.com)

New Parishioners

Welcome! Please introduce yourself after Mass. We invite you to become an active member of our parish community. Please call the parish office to register.

Bulletin Deadline

All announcements for the bulletin should be in writing and submitted to the parish office by Monday noon.



Saturday, December 29 - Vigil Mass

5:15 PM Jane Bolan by John & Brenda Fields

Sunday, December 30 - The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

8:00 AM Joan Reichard by Ken & Michelle Denison

10:30 AM Joseph Yanchan by Maryann & Family

Monday, December 31 - Vigil Mass

5:15 PM Emily Phillips by Her Family

Tuesday, January 1 - Solemnity of Mary

9:30 AM For the People of the Parish

Wednesday, January 2 - Sts. Basil & Gregory

7:00 AM Kathleen Phillips by Her Estate

Thursday, January 3 - Most Holy Name of Jesus

7:00 AM Robert Stricker by His Family

Friday, January 4 - St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

7:00 AM Don Cooper by Tommy & Barb Ryan

Saturday, January 5

8:00 AM Edward C. Heintz by His Family

5:15 PM John Wilkinson (13th) by Ann

Sunday, January 6 - The Epiphany of the Lord

8:00 AM Kathryn H. Dawes by Patricia & Jerome Dawes

10:30 AM Jeanne Jones by Carl

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DECEASED,
HOSPITALIZED, SICK
& SHUT-INS OF OUR PARISH**

Collection for Last Weekend

Ordinary Collection.....	\$5,077.00
Holy Day.....	70.00
Christmas.....	13,809.00
School Assessment.....	55.00
Memorial Fund.....	605.00
Fuel/Flowers.....	82.00
Faith Formation.....	57.00
Cathidaticum.....	16.00

Office Closed New Years Day

The Parish Office will be closed Tuesday for the New Years Day holiday. Please leave a message and we'll get back to you ASAP.

Country Pantry

To all of our St. Mary's friends, may the New Year bring many blessings, good health and happiness to you and your families. Good wishes and thank you for caring and sharing. From the folks at the Country Pantry.

Altar-Rosary Cleaners (1-5)

Laurie Calhoun

Counters (1-6)

Jim Winkler, Dan Gale & Matt Bashant

Liturgical Ministers			
Time	Altar Servers	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers
5:15 PM (12-31)	Matthew Steates, Madeline Surace & Deanna Heintz	TBA	Host - Jan Slawson & Patty McComb Cup - Karen Ostinett, Annette Foley, Chris Kielar & Julie Wagner
9:30 AM (1-1)	Andrew, Elizabeth & Rebecah Bashant	Bill Waldron	Host - Ann Wilkinson & Rosemary Wadas Cup - Bob McQueen, Evelyn Micciche, Carol Fobes & Kate Krumdieck
5:15 PM (1-5)	Michael, Carina & Joey Pascucci	Mike Debraggio	Host - Patty McComb & Bob Scarlata Cup - Liz Tantillo, Anne Debraggio, Ann Wilkinson & Marybeth King
8:00 AM (1-6)	Alicia Amuso, Ella & Clara Kelly	TBA	Host - Mike Howard & Julie Wagner Cup - Carole Byrne, Joanie Kistner, Ed Kaido & Evelyn Micciche
10:30 AM (1-6)	Melina Korfonta, Laura & Mitchell Peck	Susan Yaworsky	Host - Melinda Leising & Carol Fobes Cup - Karen Brewer, Jane & Don Conniff & any available



Thank You!!!

Thank you once again to all who helped make our Christmas Masses true celebration of the Lord's birth. Special thanks to the Lallier Family for again setting up our manger, to Valerie and the choirs for the beautiful music and to our ministers who assisted at the Masses.

Thank you to all of you who sent cards, gifts and food to the rectory, your generosity is greatly appreciated.

I hope and pray that all of you have a healthy and very happy New Year.

Fr. Croghan

Dear Padre

December 30, 2018

The Church emphasizes the feast of the Holy Family. But Jesus does not seem to be much of a family person. Instances in Scripture when Jesus was a child show him ignoring, even rejecting, Mary and Joseph.

It becomes clear, as Jesus grows in age and wisdom, that he has not come to build his own little family, but to build a worldwide family of disciples. This family would claim God as the Father of all, with Jesus and others as brothers and sisters in the family. All who followed him would be as dear to Jesus as his mother or his foster father.

Mary's and Joseph's roles were not only to be Jesus' earthbound parents but, more importantly, to be examples of how to follow God's purpose. Mary and Joseph accepted God's path for them, even though they didn't know where it would lead. Mary calls herself the handmaid of the Lord, and Joseph follows God's instruction and marries Mary, even though it was contrary to all reason and caused him scandal.

In the family of God, we seek and follow God's purpose. We are to say yes with Mary; we are to imitate Joseph in following God's direction, even though our actions may seem countercultural or even scandalous.

Jesus said plainly: "Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother" (Mark 3:35). God's will becomes the cornerstone of Jesus' new, universal family of humankind. Every Christian family, then, has a double task in raising their children: teaching and inspiring them to love their blood family, but also teaching and inspiring them to love and believe in Jesus and seek God's will.

—Fr. Paul J. Coury, CSsR

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Faith In Action

How can you put God first in your life? Jesus understood his relationship with God. It enabled him to grow "in wisdom and age and grace." How do you think following Jesus' advice will help you grow "in wisdom, age and grace"?

Next Sunday, January 6, there will be a PCA Mass held at St. Mary's at 6 PM. This is a monthly Sunday liturgy that has been rotating through our PCA parishes, which has Confirmation students from four parishes jointly participating. After Mass there will be an activity for students and a chance for adult faith sharing. All are welcome to attend this liturgy as a means of fulfilling your Sunday obligation. We hope you can join us to witness the exciting collaboration of our local parishes! Wishing all a safe, healthy and fulfilling New Year!

Liturgy of the Word for Children

Your children, ages 4-9, are invited to join in Liturgy of the Word for Children at the 10:30 AM Mass this Sunday. Our next gathering will be next Sunday, January 6.

2018 Tax Statement

For a statement of your 2018 donations for tax purposes, please put a note on your envelope, drop a note in the collection basket, or call the rectory at 315-853-2935 (10 AM - 3 PM, Monday - Friday.)

If you are receiving envelopes and don't use them, or if you don't receive envelopes and wish to, please drop a note in the collection basket or call the rectory.

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